

STATE OF IOWA  
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE  
UTILITIES BOARD

IN RE:  QWEST COMMUNICATIONS CORPORATION	DOCKET NO. CLD-03-1-419
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**CLASSIFICATION ORDER**

(Issued November 6, 2003)

On August 21, 2003, Qwest Communications Corporation (QCC) filed with the Utilities Board (Board) a request, identified as Docket No. CLD-03-1-419, that it be classified as a competitive long distance company pursuant to Iowa Code § 476.1D(10) (2003). Included with the filing was the affidavit of George M. Carr, Senior Director of Finance for QCC, demonstrating that QCC receives more than half of its Iowa intrastate telecommunications revenues from services and facilities determined by the Board to be subject to effective competition.

QCC states in its request and Mr. Carr's affidavit, that since January 1, 1999, QCC has received more than half of its Iowa intrastate telecommunications revenues from services and facilities determined by the Board to be subject to effective competition. QCC requests the Board retroactively classify QCC as a competitive long distance company from January 1, 1999.

QCC satisfies the test in Iowa Code § 476.1D(10) to be classified as a competitive long distance telephone company from the date of this order. However,

the statute does not appear to permit the Board to grant retroactive classifications. Therefore, QCC's classification as a competitive long distance telephone company is effective upon the issuance of this order.

**IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:**

1. The request of Qwest Communications Corporation to be classified as a competitive long distance telephone company is granted and such classification is effective upon the issuance of this order.
2. Pursuant to the notification requirement in Iowa Code § 476.1D(10), the Executive Secretary shall promptly send a copy of this order to the Director of the Iowa Department of Revenue and Finance.

**UTILITIES BOARD**

/s/ Diane Munns

/s/ Mark O. Lambert

ATTEST:

/s/ Judi K. Cooper  
Executive Secretary

/s/ Elliott Smith

Dated at Des Moines, Iowa, this 6th day of November, 2003.